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: Art Unit: 2652 Appr. February 20, 1998 Attorn	ney for Applicant			
Examiner: Tupper, Robert S.)				

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a communication regarding the above-identified application.

Fee Calculation For Claims As Amended

	As		Previously		Present		,		A	Additional
	Amended		Paid For		Extra		Rate			Fee
Total Claims	13		20	=	0	X	\$50.00	=	\$_	0.00
Independent Claims	4		4	=	0	X	\$200.00	=	\$_	0.00
Fee for Multiple Depende	nt Claims						\$360.00	=	\$_	0.00
Total Additional Fee						\$_	0.00			
Small Entity Fee (reduced by half)							\$_	0.00		

(X) Election.

() A check in the amount of \$_____ is attached.

() Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 07-2069.

- (X) If a Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response is required to make the attached response timely and does not separately accompany this transmittal, Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.
- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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plicant: Minoru Hasegawa et al.

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ELECTION

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction/Election mailed November 30, 2004, Applicants hereby elect Group I (Claims 1-5 and 12) without traverse. Further, since Group I has been elected, Applicants also hereby elect Species A (Figure 3; Claims 1-5), without traverse. Accordingly, examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully Submitted,

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